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E.O. 12065: GDS 6/27/85 (PALMER, STEPHEN) OR-0
TAGS: SHUM, SREF, ICRC, AR
SUBJECT: USG FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR ICRC PRISONER
PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA

REF: GENEVA 10085

1. (ENTIRE TEXT) ICRC HAS AGAIN INQUIRED IF THERE
IS A RESPONSE FROM THE USG ON ITS REQUEST FOR USG
SUPPORT OF THE ARGENTINIAN PRISONER PROGRAM. REQUEST
RESPONSE TO REFTEL AND PREVIOUS. VANDEN HEUVEL

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E.O. 12065: N/A
TAGS: CISC, SHRP, CI, IF, PA, BR
SUBJECT: HEMISPHERIC REFUGEE/DETAINEE PAROLE PROGRAM IN ARGENTINA:
STATUS REPORT NO. 305

REF. BUENOS AIRES 9025

IN 1. HEMISPHERIC "500" PAROLE PROGRAM/UNION HANDED REFUGEES

A. 88 CASES SUBMITTED TO EMPLOY:

74 CHILEANS, 5 PARAGUAYANS, 1 PERUVIAN, 3 URUGUAYANS

B. 1 ACTIVE CASE: 5 CHILEANS

1. INTERVIEWED AND AWAITING CLEARANCES: 1

C. 83 CASES CLOSED: 70 CHILEANS, 5 PARAGUAYANS, 1 PERUVIAN

3 URUGUAYANS

1. BY PAROLEES' ARRIVAL IN USA: 6

6 CHILEANS (2 PERSONS), 2 PARAGUAYANS (2 PERSONS)

2. BY WITHDRAWAL (ACCEPTED BY OTHER COUNTRIES): 32

26 CHILEANS, 3 URUGUAYANS, 3 PARAGUAYANS

3. BY REFUSAL ON GROUNDS OF INELIGIBILITY: 43

1 PERUVIAN, 41 CHILEANS, 1 PARAGUAYAN

II. 80 HEMISPHERIC "500" PAROLE PROGRAM/ARGENTINE DETAINEES

A. 505 TOTAL APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF ACCEPTABILITY
RECEIVED:

B. 343 ACTIVE CASES:

1. NEW CASES: VISAS EAGLE SENT 24

2. NEW CASES, PERMISSION TO INTERVIEW REQUESTED,
AWAITING REPLY: 14

3. PERMISSION TO INTERVIEW DENIED BY GSA: 115

A. OPTION REQUEST PENDING WITH VISA TO
ANOTHER COUNTRY: 24

B. OPTION REQUEST DENIED WITH VISA OF ANOTHER
COUNTRY, AWAITING LAPSE OF 6 MONTHS BEFORE NEW
REQUEST CAN BE INITIATED: 12

C. APPLICANTS WITH PENDING COURT PROCEEDINGS: 26

D. PRESENT STATUS OF APPLICANT REQUESTED FROM
FAMILY: 40

4. PERMISSION TO INTERVIEW RECEIVED: 137

A. INTERVIEW PENDING: 3

B. INTERVIEWS COMPLETED, UNDER STUDY BY
CONSULAR OFFICER: 13

C. INTERVIEWS COMPLETED, CONSULAR OFFICER
APPROVED, CERTIFICATE ISSUED, AWAITING REVIEW
BY INS OFFICER AND GSA DECISION: 14

D. INTERVIEWS COMPLETED, CONS/OFF AND INS/OFF
APPROVED, CERTIFICATE ISSUED, AWAITING GSA
DECISION: 123

E. INTERVIEWS COMPLETED, CONS/OFF AND INS/OFF

APPROVED, CERTIFICATE ISSUED, GSA DENIED RIGHT
OF OPTION REQUEST; A NEW REQUEST WILL BE PRESENTED FOLLOWING
GSA PRESCRIBED WAITING PERIOD: 35

F. INTERVIEW COMPLETED, CONS/OFF AND INS/OFF APPROVED,
GSA GRANTED RIGHT OF OPTION, TRAVEL TO BE COMPLETED
SHORTLY, 4

G. 80 INACTIVE CASES:

1. PERMISSION TO INTERVIEW DENIED BY GSA, FAMILY
HAS NOT RESPONDED TO STATUS REQUEST: 35

2. PRESENTLY UNDER JUDICIAL SENTENCE: 51

D. 186 CASES CLOSED

1. APPLICANTS' ARRIVAL IN USA: 32

A. PAROLED: 27 CASES (FROM BUENOS AIRES)

AND 2 CASES (FROM RIO DE JANEIRO)

B. IMMIGRANT VISAS: 3 CASES

2. APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN: 154

A. RELEASED FROM DETENTION AND ALLOWED TO
REMAIN IN ARGENTINA: 100

B. OBTAINED VISAS AND TRAVELLED TO
OTHER COUNTRIES: 51

C. BY REFUSAL ON GROUNDS OF INELIGIBILITY: 13

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III. LOUJ NOTES ON OPTION PROGRAM:

TOTAL INTERVIEWS COMPLETED BY CONS/OFFS IN PRISONS: 369
TOTAL CERTIFICATES OF ACCEPTABILITY ISSUED BY EMBASSY: 235
RIGHT OF OPTION REQUESTS TO THE USA APPROVED BY GOA: 24
RIGHT OF OPTION REQUESTS TO OTHER COUNTRIES APPROVED
BY GOA (ALSO HELD CERTIFICATE TO USA): 6
RELEASED AND ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN ARGENTINA: 14
12 CASES LEFT FOR BRAZIL AND TRAVELED TO USN (UNDER
UNHCR PURCHASE)
RIGHT OF OPTION REQUESTS DENIED BY GOA: 39
ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE INFORMED THAT OPTION REQUEST WAS
NOT BEEN INITIATED: 2
PENDING DECISION ON OPTION REQUESTS BY GOA: 134
01 CERTIFICATES HAVE BEEN RE-ISSUED ON CASES IN WHICH
GOA PRESCRIBED 6-MONTH WAITING PERIOD WAS Lapsed FOLLOWING
DENIAL AND A NEW REQUEST COULD BE INITIATED.)
DATES AND NUMBER OF GOA APPROVALS: JULY 1978, 1; SEPT 1978, 3;
APRIL 1979, 1; JUNE 1979, 12; AUG 1979, 4; SEPT 1979, 7;
OCT 1979, 3; NOV 1979; DEC 1979, 1.

IV. LOUJ SUMMARY: AS THE STATISTICAL REPORT INDICATES THE
LEVEL OF INTEREST (IMPLICATIONS IN THE HEMISPHERIC "SOUP"
PAROLE PROGRAM CONTINUES AT ITS PREVIOUS LEVELS.
HOWEVER, A REVIEW OF THE OPTION APPROVAL FIGURES INDICATES
THAT, AS OF THE JUNE-SEPT 1979 FIGURES, THE RATES OF
GOA OPTION APPROVALS TO THE USA CONTINUES AT A VERY LOW LEVEL.
THE HIGHER NUMBER OF OPTION APPROVALS FOR THE JUNE-SEPT
PERIOD WAS PROBABLY DUE TO INCREASED INTEREST AND/OR EXTERNAL
PRESSURE IN THE AREA OF HUMAN RIGHTS GENERATED BY THE PENDING
OAS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION VISIT OF SEPT 1979.

SINCE SEPT 1979, THE LEVEL OF GOA OPTION APPROVALS TO THE
UNITED STATES HAS STEADILY DECLINED TO A POINT OF ONLY ONE
OPTION APPROVAL FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER. OTHER EMBASSIES
INVOLVED IN THE OPTION PROGRAM HAVE ALSO REPORTED A SIMILAR
PATTERN OF DECLINE IN THEIR OPTION APPROVALS.

AT THIS TIME IT IS UNCERTAIN IF THE PRESENT DECLINE IN OPTION
APPROVALS IS A RESULT OF A HARDENING ON THE PART OF THE GOA
IN RESPECT TO OPTION APPROVALS DUE TO THE RECENT INCREASE IN
TERRORIST ACTIVITY WITHIN ARGENTINA OR IF THE "EASY TO RESOLVE"
PEN PRISONER CASES HAVE ALREADY BEEN DECIDED AND THAT THOSE
PRISONERS WHO REMAIN IN PRISON ARE CONSIDERED BY THE GOA TO BE
SUBVERSIVES WHO MUST BE REFUSED OPTION FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL
SECURITY. THE GOA ASSUMPTION THAT THE REMAINING PEN PRISONERS
ARE SUBVERSIVES HAS BEEN SUPPORTED IN PART BY THE EMBASSY
REFUGEE OFFICER WHO HAS REPORTED AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF

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